

# ASYMPTOTIC BEHAVIOUR FOR A CLASS OF SUBHARMONIC FUNCTIONS IN A HALF SPACE \*

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**ABSTRACT.** A class of subharmonic functions are proved to have the growth estimates  $u(x) = o(x_n^{1-\frac{\alpha}{p}} |x|^{\frac{2}{p} + \frac{n-1}{q} - n + \frac{\alpha}{p}})$  at infinity in the upper half space of  $\mathbf{R}^n$ , which generalizes the growth properties of analytic functions and harmonic functions.

## 1. INTRODUCTION AND MAIN THEOREM

Let  $\mathbf{R}^n (n \geq 3)$  denote the  $n$ -dimensional Euclidean space with points  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-1}, x_n) = (x', x_n)$ , where  $x' \in \mathbf{R}^{n-1}$  and  $x_n \in \mathbf{R}$ . The boundary and closure of an open  $\Omega$  of  $\mathbf{R}^n$  are denoted by  $\partial\Omega$  and  $\overline{\Omega}$  respectively. The upper half-space  $H$  is the set  $H = \{x = (x', x_n) \in \mathbf{R}^n : x_n > 0\}$ , whose boundary is  $\partial H$ . We write  $B(x, \rho)$  and  $\partial B(x, \rho)$  for the open ball and the sphere of radius  $\rho$  centered at  $x$  in  $\mathbf{R}^n$ . We identify  $\mathbf{R}^n$  with  $\mathbf{R}^{n-1} \times \mathbf{R}$  and  $\mathbf{R}^{n-1}$  with  $\mathbf{R}^{n-1} \times \{0\}$ , with this convention we then have  $\partial H = \mathbf{R}^{n-1}$ , writing typical points  $x, y \in \mathbf{R}^n$  as  $x = (x', x_n)$ ,  $y = (y', y_n)$ , where  $x' = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-1})$ ,  $y' = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{n-1}) \in \mathbf{R}^{n-1}$  and putting

$$x \cdot y = \sum_{j=1}^n x_j y_j = x' \cdot y' + x_n y_n, \quad |x| = \sqrt{x \cdot x}, \quad |x'| = \sqrt{x' \cdot x'}.$$

For  $x \in \mathbf{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$ , let ([10])

$$E(x) = -r_n |x|^{2-n},$$

where  $|x|$  is the Euclidean norm,  $r_n = \frac{1}{(n-2)\omega_n}$  and  $\omega_n = \frac{2\pi^{\frac{n}{2}}}{\Gamma(\frac{n}{2})}$  is the surface area of the unit sphere in  $\mathbf{R}^n$ . We know that  $E$  is locally integrable in  $\mathbf{R}^n$ .

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The Green function  $G(x, y)$  for the upper half space  $H$  is given by([10])

$$G(x, y) = E(x - y) - E(x - y^*) \quad x, y \in \overline{H}, x \neq y, \quad (1.1)$$

where  $*$  denotes reflection in the boundary plane  $\partial H$  just as  $y^* = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{n-1}, -y_n)$ , then we define the Poisson kernel  $P(x, y')$  when  $x \in H$  and  $y' \in \partial H$  by

$$P(x, y') = -\frac{\partial G(x, y)}{\partial y_n} \Big|_{y_n=0} = \frac{2x_n}{\omega_n |x - (y', 0)|^n}. \quad (1.2)$$

The Dirichlet problem of upper half space is to find a function  $u$  satisfying

$$u \in C^2(H), \quad (1.3)$$

$$\Delta u = 0, x \in H, \quad (1.4)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x'} u(x) = f(x') \text{ nontangentially a.e. } x' \in \partial H, \quad (1.5)$$

where  $f$  is a measurable function of  $\mathbf{R}^{n-1}$ . The Poisson integral of the upper half space is defined by

$$u(x) = P[f](x) = \int_{\mathbf{R}^{n-1}} P(x, y') f(y') dy'. \quad (1.6)$$

As we all know, the Poisson integral  $P[f]$  exists if

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^{n-1}} \frac{|f(y')|}{1 + |y'|^n} dy' < \infty.$$

(see [1,2] and [11]) In this paper, we will consider measurable functions  $f$  in  $\mathbf{R}^{n-1}$  satisfying

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^{n-1}} \frac{|f(y')|^p}{(1 + |y'|)^\gamma} dy' < \infty. \quad (1.7)$$

Siegel-Talvila([5]) have proved the following result:

**Theorem A** Let  $f$  be a measurable function in  $\mathbf{R}^{n-1}$  satisfying (1.7). Then the harmonic function  $v(x)$  defined by (1.6) satisfies (1.3), (1.4), (1.5) and

$$v(x) = o(x_n^{1-n} |x|^{n+m}) \quad \text{as } |x| \rightarrow \infty.$$

In order to describe the asymptotic behaviour of subharmonic functions in half-spaces([8,9] and [10]), we establish the following theorems.

**Theorem 1** Let  $1 \leq p < \infty$ ,  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$  and

$$-(n-1)(p-1) < \gamma < (n-1) + p \quad \text{in case } p > 1;$$

$$0 < \gamma \leq n \quad \text{in case } p = 1.$$

If  $f$  is a measurable function in  $\mathbf{R}^{n-1}$  satisfying (1.4) and  $v(x)$  is the harmonic function defined by (1.8), then there exists  $x_j \in H$ ,  $\rho_j > 0$ ,

such that

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{\rho_j^{pn-\alpha}}{|x_j|^{pn-\alpha}} < \infty \quad (1.8)$$

holds and

$$v(x) = o(x_n^{1-\frac{\alpha}{p}} |x|^{\frac{\gamma}{p} + \frac{n-1}{q} - n + \frac{\alpha}{p}}) \quad \text{as } |x| \rightarrow \infty \quad (1.9)$$

holds in  $H - G$ , where  $G = \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} B(x_j, \rho_j)$  and  $0 < \alpha \leq n$ .

**Remark 1** If  $\alpha = n$ ,  $p = 1$  and  $\gamma = n$ , then (1.8) is a finite sum, the set  $G$  is the union of finite balls, so (1.9) holds in  $H$ . This is just the case  $m = 0$  of the result of Siegel-Talvila.

**Remark 2** When  $\gamma = -(n-1)(p-1)$ ,  $p > 1$ , we have

$$v(x) = o(x_n^{1-\frac{\alpha}{p}} (\log |x|)^{\frac{1}{q}} |x|^{\frac{\gamma}{p} + \frac{n-1}{q} - n + \frac{\alpha}{p}}) \quad \text{as } |x| \rightarrow \infty \quad (1.10)$$

holds in  $H - G$ .

Next, we will generalize Theorem 1 to subharmonic functions.

**Theorem 2** Let  $p$  and  $\gamma$  be as in Theorem 1. If  $f$  is a measurable function in  $\mathbf{R}^{n-1}$  satisfying (1.7) and  $\mu$  is a positive Borel measure satisfying

$$\int_H \frac{y_n^p}{(1+|y|)^{\gamma}} d\mu(y) < \infty \quad (1.10)$$

and

$$\int_H \frac{1}{(1+|y|)^{n-1}} d\mu(y) < \infty.$$

Write the subharmonic function

$$u(x) = v(x) + h(x), \quad x \in H$$

where  $v(x)$  is the harmonic function defined by (1.8),  $h(x)$  is defined by

$$h(x) = \int_H G(x, y) d\mu(y)$$

and  $G(x, y)$  is defined by (1.1). Then there exists  $x_j \in H$ ,  $\rho_j > 0$ , such that (1.8) holds and

$$u(x) = o(x_n^{1-\frac{\alpha}{p}} |x|^{\frac{\gamma}{p} + \frac{n-1}{q} - n + \frac{\alpha}{p}}) \quad \text{as } |x| \rightarrow \infty$$

holds in  $H - G$ , where  $G = \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} B(x_j, \rho_j)$  and  $0 < \alpha < 2$ .

**Remark 3** When  $\gamma = -(n-1)(p-1)$ ,  $p > 1$ , we have

$$u(x) = o(x_n^{1-\frac{\alpha}{p}} (\log |x|)^{\frac{1}{q}} |x|^{\frac{\gamma}{p} + \frac{n-1}{q} - n + \frac{\alpha}{p}}) \quad \text{as } |x| \rightarrow \infty \quad (1.10)$$

holds in  $H - G$ .

## 2. PROOF OF THEOREM

Let  $\mu$  be a positive Borel measure in  $\mathbf{R}^n$ ,  $\beta \geq 0$ , the maximal function  $M(d\mu)(x)$  of order  $\beta$  is defined by

$$M(d\mu)(x) = \sup_{0 < r < \infty} \frac{\mu(B(x, r))}{r^\beta},$$

then the maximal function  $M(d\mu)(x) : \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  is lower semicontinuous, hence measurable. To see this, for any  $\lambda > 0$ , let  $D(\lambda) = \{x \in \mathbf{R}^n : M(d\mu)(x) > \lambda\}$ . Fix  $x \in D(\lambda)$ , then there exists  $r > 0$  such that  $\mu(B(x, r)) > tr^\beta$  for some  $t > \lambda$ , and there exists  $\delta > 0$  satisfying  $(r + \delta)^\beta < \frac{tr^\beta}{\lambda}$ . If  $|y - x| < \delta$ , then  $B(y, r + \delta) \supset B(x, r)$ , therefore  $\mu(B(y, r + \delta)) \geq tr^\beta > \lambda(r + \delta)^\beta$ . Thus  $B(x, \delta) \subset D(\lambda)$ . This proves that  $D(\lambda)$  is open for each  $\lambda > 0$ .

In order to obtain the results, we need these lemmas below:

**Lemma 1** Let  $\mu$  be a positive Borel measure in  $\mathbf{R}^n$ ,  $\beta \geq 0$ ,  $\mu(\mathbf{R}^n) < \infty$ , for any  $\lambda \geq 5^\beta \mu(\mathbf{R}^n)$ , set

$$E(\lambda) = \{x \in \mathbf{R}^n : |x| \geq 2, M(d\mu)(x) > \frac{\lambda}{|x|^\beta}\}$$

then there exists  $x_j \in E(\lambda)$ ,  $\rho_j > 0$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots$ , such that

$$E(\lambda) \subset \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} B(x_j, \rho_j) \tag{2.1}$$

and

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{\rho_j^\beta}{|x_j|^\beta} \leq \frac{3\mu(\mathbf{R}^n)5^\beta}{\lambda}. \tag{2.2}$$

Proof: Let  $E_k(\lambda) = \{x \in E(\lambda) : 2^k \leq |x| < 2^{k+1}\}$ , then for any  $x \in E_k(\lambda)$ , there exists  $r(x) > 0$ , such that  $\mu(B(x, r(x))) > \lambda(\frac{r(x)}{|x|})^\beta$ , therefore  $r(x) \leq 2^{k-1}$ . Since  $E_k(\lambda)$  can be covered by the union of a family of balls  $\{B(x, r(x)) : x \in E_k(\lambda)\}$ , by the Vitali Lemma([6]), there exists  $\Lambda_k \subset E_k(\lambda)$ ,  $\Lambda_k$  is at most countable, such that  $\{B(x, r(x)) : x \in \Lambda_k\}$  are disjoint and

$$E_k(\lambda) \subset \bigcup_{x \in \Lambda_k} B(x, 5r(x)),$$

so

$$E(\lambda) = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} E_k(\lambda) \subset \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{x \in \Lambda_k} B(x, 5r(x)). \tag{2.3}$$

On the other hand, note that  $\bigcup_{x \in \Lambda_k} B(x, r(x)) \subset \{x : 2^{k-1} \leq |x| < 2^{k+2}\}$ , so that

$$\sum_{x \in \Lambda_k} \frac{(5r(x))^\beta}{|x|^\beta} \leq 5^\beta \sum_{x \in \Lambda_k} \frac{\mu(B(x, r(x)))}{\lambda} \leq \frac{5^\beta}{\lambda} \mu\{x : 2^{k-1} \leq |x| < 2^{k+2}\}.$$

Hence we obtain

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{x \in \Lambda_k} \frac{(5r(x))^{\beta}}{|x|^{\beta}} \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{5^{\beta}}{\lambda} \mu\{x : 2^{k-1} \leq |x| < 2^{k+2}\} \leq \frac{3\mu(\mathbf{R}^n)5^{\beta}}{\lambda}.$$

Rearrange  $\{x : x \in \Lambda_k, k = 1, 2, \dots\}$  and  $\{5r(x) : x \in \Lambda_k, k = 1, 2, \dots\}$ , we get  $\{x_j\}$  and  $\{\rho_j\}$  such that (2.1) and (2.2) hold.

**Lemma 2** The kernel  $\frac{1}{|x-y|^n}$  has the following estimates:

- (1) If  $|y| \leq \frac{|x|}{2}$ , then  $\frac{1}{|x-y|^n} \leq \frac{2^n}{|x|^n}$ ;
- (2) If  $|y| > \frac{|x|}{2}$ , then  $\frac{1}{|x-y|^n} \leq \frac{2^n}{|y|^n}$ .

Throughout the proof,  $A$  denote various positive constants.

*Proof of Theorem 1*

We prove only the case  $p > 1$ ; the proof of the case  $p = 1$  is similar. Suppose

$$\begin{aligned} G_1 &= \{y' \in \mathbf{R}^{n-1} : 1 < |y'| \leq \frac{|x|}{2}\}, \\ G_2 &= \{y' \in \mathbf{R}^{n-1} : \frac{|x|}{2} < |y'| \leq 2|x|\}, \\ G_3 &= \{y' \in \mathbf{R}^{n-1} : |y'| > 2|x|\}, \\ G_4 &= \{y' \in \mathbf{R}^{n-1} : |y'| \leq 1\}. \end{aligned}$$

Define the measure  $dm(y')$  by

$$dm(y') = \frac{|f(y')|^p}{(1 + |y'|)^{\gamma}} dy'$$

For any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $R_{\varepsilon} > 2$ , such that

$$\int_{|y'| \geq R_{\varepsilon}} dm(y') \leq \frac{\varepsilon^p}{5^{pn-\alpha}}.$$

For every Lebesgue measurable set  $E \subset \mathbf{R}^{n-1}$ , the measure  $m^{(\varepsilon)}$  defined by  $m^{(\varepsilon)}(E) = m(E \cap \{x' \in \mathbf{R}^{n-1} : |x'| \geq R_{\varepsilon}\})$  satisfies  $m^{(\varepsilon)}(\mathbf{R}^{n-1}) \leq \frac{\varepsilon^p}{5^{pn-\alpha}}$ , write

$$\begin{aligned} v_1(x) &= \int_{G_1} P(x, y') f(y') dy', \\ v_2(x) &= \int_{G_2} P(x, y') f(y') dy', \\ v_3(x) &= \int_{G_3} P(x, y') f(y') dy', \\ v_4(x) &= \int_{G_4} P(x, y') f(y') dy', \end{aligned}$$

then

$$v(x) = v_1(x) + v_2(x) + v_3(x) + v_4(x). \quad (2.3)$$

Let  $E_1(\lambda) = \{x \in \mathbf{R}^n : |x| \geq 2, \exists t > 0, m^{(\varepsilon)}(B(x, t) \cap \mathbf{R}^{n-1}) > \lambda^p (\frac{t}{|x|})^{pn-\alpha}\}$ , therefore, if  $|x| \geq 2R_\varepsilon$  and  $x \notin E_1(\lambda)$ , then we have

$$\forall t > 0, m^{(\varepsilon)}(B(x, t) \cap \mathbf{R}^{n-1}) \leq \lambda^p (\frac{t}{|x|})^{pn-\alpha}.$$

First, if  $\gamma > -(n-1)(p-1)$ , then  $\frac{\gamma q}{p} + (n-1) > 0$ . For  $r > 1$ , we have

$$v_1(x) = \int_{G_1 \cap B(0, r)} P(x, y') f(y') dy' + \int_{G_1 - B(0, r)} P(x, y') f(y') dy' = v_{11}(x) + v_{12}(x).$$

If  $|x| > 2r$ , then we obtain by Lemma 2 (1) and Holder's inequality

$$\begin{aligned} |v_{11}(x)| &\leq \int_{B(0, r) - B(0, 1)} \frac{2x_n}{\omega_n} \frac{2^n}{|x|^n} |f(y')| dy' \\ &\leq \frac{2^{n+1}}{\omega_n} \frac{x_n}{|x|^n} \left( \int_{B(0, r) - B(0, 1)} \frac{|f(y')|^p}{|y'|^\gamma} dy' \right)^{1/p} \left( \int_{B(0, r) - B(0, 1)} |y'|^{\frac{\gamma q}{p}} dy' \right)^{1/q}, \end{aligned}$$

since

$$\int_{B(0, r) - B(0, 1)} |y'|^{\frac{\gamma q}{p}} dy' \leq \omega_{n-1} \frac{1}{\frac{\gamma q}{p} + n - 1} r^{\frac{\gamma q}{p} + n - 1},$$

so that

$$v_{11}(x) = o(x_n |x|^{\frac{\gamma}{p} + \frac{n-1}{q} - n}) \quad \text{as } |x| \rightarrow \infty. \quad (1.9)$$

Moreover, we have similarly

$$\begin{aligned} |v_{12}(x)| &\leq \frac{2^{n+1}}{\omega_n} \frac{x_n}{|x|^n} \left( \int_{G_1 - B(0, r)} \frac{|f(y')|^p}{|y'|^\gamma} dy' \right)^{1/p} \left( \int_{G_1 - B(0, r)} |y'|^{\frac{\gamma q}{p}} dy' \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq Ax_n |x|^{\frac{\gamma}{p} + \frac{n-1}{q} - n} \left( \int_{G_1 - B(0, r)} \frac{|f(y')|^p}{|y'|^\gamma} dy' \right)^{1/p}, \end{aligned}$$

which implies by arbitrariness of  $r$  that

$$v_{12}(x) = o(x_n |x|^{\frac{\gamma}{p} + \frac{n-1}{q} - n}) \quad \text{as } |x| \rightarrow \infty. \quad (1.9)$$

If  $\gamma > -(n-1)(p-1)$ , then  $\frac{\gamma q}{p} + (n-1) > 0$ , so that we obtain by Holder's inequality

$$\begin{aligned} |v_2(x)| &\leq \frac{2x_n}{\omega_n} \left( \int_{G_2} \frac{|f(y')|^p}{|x - (y', 0)|^{pn} |y'|^\gamma} dy' \right)^{1/p} \left( \int_{G_2} |y'|^{\frac{\gamma q}{p}} dy' \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq Ax_n |x|^{\frac{\gamma}{p} + \frac{n-1}{q}} \left( \int_{G_2} \frac{|f(y')|^p}{|x - (y', 0)|^{pn} |y'|^\gamma} dy' \right)^{1/p}, \end{aligned}$$

since

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{G_2} \frac{|f(y')|^p}{|x - (y', 0)|^{pn}|y'|^\gamma} dy' &\leq \int_{\frac{x_n}{2}}^{3|x|} \frac{2^\gamma + 1}{t^{pn}} dm_x^{(\varepsilon)}(t) \\ &\leq \frac{\varepsilon^p}{|x|^{pn}} (2^\gamma + 1) \left( \frac{1}{3^\alpha} + \frac{pn}{\alpha} \right) \frac{|x|^\alpha}{x_n^\alpha}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $m_x^{(\varepsilon)}(t) = \int_{|y'-x| \leq t} dm^{(\varepsilon)}(y')$ .

Hence we have

$$v_2(x) = o(x_n^{1-\frac{\alpha}{p}} |x|^{\frac{\gamma}{p} + \frac{n-1}{q} - n + \frac{\alpha}{p}}) \quad \text{as } |x| \rightarrow \infty.$$

If  $\gamma < (n-1) + p$ , then  $(\frac{\gamma}{p} - n)q + (n-1) < 0$ , so that we obtain by Lemma 2 (2) and Holder's inequality

$$\begin{aligned} |v_3(x)| &\leq \int_{G_3} \frac{2x_n}{\omega_n} \frac{2^n}{|y'|^n} |f(y')| dy' \\ &\leq \frac{2^{n+1}}{\omega_n} x_n \left( \int_{G_3} \frac{|f(y')|^p}{|y'|^\gamma} dy' \right)^{1/p} \left( \int_{G_3} |y'|^{(\frac{\gamma}{p}-n)q} dy' \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq Ax_n |x|^{\frac{\gamma}{p} + \frac{n-1}{q} - n} \left( \int_{G_3} \frac{|f(y')|^p}{|y'|^\gamma} dy' \right)^{1/p}, \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$v_3(x) = o(x_n |x|^{\frac{\gamma}{p} + \frac{n-1}{q} - n}) \quad \text{as } |x| \rightarrow \infty. \quad (1.9)$$

Finally, by Lemma 2 (1), we obtain

$$|v_4(x)| \leq \frac{2^{n+1}}{\omega_n} \frac{x_n}{|x|^n} \int_{G_4} |f(y')| dy',$$

so that we have by  $\gamma > -(n-1)(p-1)$

$$v_4(x) = o(x_n |x|^{\frac{\gamma}{p} + \frac{n-1}{q} - n}) \quad \text{as } |x| \rightarrow \infty. \quad (1.9)$$

Thus, by collecting (2.5), (2.6), (2.7), (2.8), (2.9), (2.10) and (2.11), there exists a positive constant  $A$  independent of  $\varepsilon$ , such that if  $|x| \geq 2R_\varepsilon$  and  $x \notin E_1(\varepsilon)$ , we have

$$|v(x)| \leq A\varepsilon x_n^{1-\frac{\alpha}{p}} |x|^{\frac{\gamma}{p} + \frac{n-1}{q} - n + \frac{\alpha}{p}}.$$

Let  $\mu_\varepsilon$  be a measure in  $\mathbf{R}^n$  defined by  $\mu_\varepsilon(E) = m^{(\varepsilon)}(E \cap \mathbf{R}^{n-1})$  for every measurable set  $E$  in  $\mathbf{R}^n$ . Take  $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_p = \frac{1}{2^{p+2}}$ ,  $p = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ , then there exists a sequence  $\{R_p\}$ :  $1 = R_0 < R_1 < R_2 < \dots$  such that

$$\mu_{\varepsilon_p}(\mathbf{R}^n) = \int_{|y'| \geq R_p} dm(y') < \frac{\varepsilon_p^p}{5^{pn-\alpha}}.$$

Take  $\lambda = 3 \cdot 5^{pn-\alpha} \cdot 2^p \mu_{\varepsilon_p}(\mathbf{R}^n)$  in Lemma 1, then there exists  $x_{j,p}$  and  $\rho_{j,p}$ , where  $R_{p-1} \leq |x_{j,p}| < R_p$ , such that

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{\rho_{j,p}}{|x_{j,p}|} \right)^{pn-\alpha} \leq \frac{1}{2^p}.$$

if  $R_{p-1} \leq |x| < R_p$  and  $x \notin G_p = \cup_{j=1}^{\infty} B(x_{j,p}, \rho_{j,p})$ , we have

$$|v(x)| \leq A \varepsilon_p x_n^{1-\frac{\alpha}{p}} |x|^{\frac{\gamma}{p} + \frac{n-1}{q} - n + \frac{\alpha}{p}},$$

Thereby

$$\sum_{p=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{\rho_{j,p}}{|x_{j,p}|} \right)^{pn-\alpha} \leq \sum_{p=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^p} = 1 < \infty.$$

Set  $G = \cup_{p=1}^{\infty} G_p$ , thus Theorem 1 holds.

*Proof of Theorem 2*

We prove only the case  $p > 1$ ; the remaining case  $p = 1$  can be proved similarly. Suppose

$$\begin{aligned} F_1 &= \{y \in H : 1 < |y| \leq \frac{|x|}{2}\}, \\ F_2 &= \{y \in H : \frac{|x|}{2} < |y| \leq 2|x|\}, \\ F_3 &= \{y \in H : |y| > 2|x|\}, \\ F_4 &= \{y \in H : |y| \leq 1\}. \end{aligned}$$

Define the measure  $dn(y)$  by

$$dn(y) = \frac{y_n^p}{(1+|y'|)^{\gamma}} d\mu(y)$$

For any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $R_{\varepsilon} > 2$ , such that

$$\int_{|y| \geq R_{\varepsilon}} dn(y) < \frac{\varepsilon^p}{5^{pn-\alpha}}.$$

For every Lebesgue measurable set  $E \subset \mathbf{R}^n$ , the measure  $n^{(\varepsilon)}$  defined by  $n^{(\varepsilon)}(E) = n(E \cap \{y \in H : |y| \geq R_{\varepsilon}\})$  satisfies  $n^{(\varepsilon)}(H) \leq \frac{\varepsilon^p}{5^{pn-\alpha}}$ , write

$$\begin{aligned} h_1(x) &= \int_{F_1} G(x, y) d\mu(y), \\ h_2(x) &= \int_{F_2} G(x, y) d\mu(y), \\ h_3(x) &= \int_{F_3} G(x, y) d\mu(y), \\ h_4(x) &= \int_{F_4} G(x, y) d\mu(y) \end{aligned}$$

then

$$h(x) = h_1(x) + h_2(x) + h_3(x) + h_4(x). \quad (2.10)$$

Let  $E_2(\lambda) = \{x \in \mathbf{R}^n : |x| \geq 2, \exists t > 0, n^{(\varepsilon)}(B(x, t) \cap H) > \lambda^p (\frac{t}{|x|})^{pn-\alpha}\}$ , therefore, if  $|x| \geq 2R_\varepsilon$  and  $x \notin E_2(\lambda)$ , then we have

$$\forall t > 0, n^{(\varepsilon)}(B(x, t) \cap H) \leq \lambda^p (\frac{t}{|x|})^{pn-\alpha}.$$

First, note that

$$|G(x, y)| = |E(x - y) - E(x - y^*)| \leq \frac{2x_n y_n}{\omega_n |x - y|^n}. \quad (2.11)$$

If  $\gamma > -(n-1)(p-1)$ , then  $\frac{\gamma q}{p} + (n-1) > 0$ . For  $r > 1$ , we have

$$h_1(x) = \int_{F_1 \cap B(0, r)} -G(x, y) d\mu(y) + \int_{F_1 - B(0, r)} -G(x, y) d\mu(y) = h_{11}(x) + h_{12}(x)$$

If  $|x| > 2r$ , then we obtain by Lemma 2 (1), (2.11) and Holder's inequality

$$\begin{aligned} |h_{11}(x)| &\leq \int_{B(0, r) - B(0, 1)} \frac{2x_n y_n}{\omega_n |x - y|^n} d\mu(y) \\ &\leq \int_{B(0, r) - B(0, 1)} \frac{2x_n y_n}{\omega_n} \frac{2^n}{|x|^n} d\mu(y) \\ &\leq \frac{2^{n+1}}{\omega_n} \frac{x_n}{|x|^n} \left( \int_{B(0, r) - B(0, 1)} \frac{y_n^p}{|y|^\gamma} d\mu(y) \right)^{1/p} \left( \int_{B(0, r) - B(0, 1)} |y|^{\frac{\gamma q}{p}} d\mu(y) \right)^{1/q}, \end{aligned}$$

since

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{B(0, r) - B(0, 1)} |y|^{\frac{\gamma q}{p}} d\mu(y) &\leq 2^{n-1} r^{\frac{\gamma q}{p} + n - 1} \int_H \frac{1}{(1 + |y|)^{n-1}} d\mu(y), \\ \int_{B(0, r) - B(0, 1)} |y|^{\frac{\gamma q}{p}} d\mu(y) &= \int_{B(0, r) - B(0, 1)} |y|^{\frac{\gamma q}{p} + n - 1} \frac{1}{|y|^{n-1}} d\mu(y) \\ &\leq 2^{n-1} \int_H \frac{1}{(1 + |y|)^{n-1}} d\mu(y) r^{\frac{\gamma q}{p} + n - 1}, \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$h_{11}(x) = o(x_n |x|^{\frac{\gamma q}{p} + \frac{n-1}{q} - n}) \quad \text{as } |x| \rightarrow \infty. \quad (1.9)$$

Moreover, we have similarly

$$\begin{aligned} |h_{12}(x)| &\leq \frac{2^{n+1}}{\omega_n} \frac{x_n}{|x|^n} \left( \int_{F_1 - B(0, r)} \frac{y_n^p}{|y|^\gamma} d\mu(y) \right)^{1/p} \left( \int_{F_1 - B(0, r)} |y|^{\frac{\gamma q}{p}} d\mu(y) \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq A x_n |x|^{\frac{\gamma}{p} + \frac{n-1}{q} - n} \left( \int_{F_1 - B(0, r)} \frac{y_n^p}{|y|^\gamma} d\mu(y) \right)^{1/p}, \end{aligned}$$

which implies by arbitrariness of  $r$  that

$$h_{12}(x) = o(x_n|x|^{\frac{\gamma}{p} + \frac{n-1}{q} - n}) \quad \text{as } |x| \rightarrow \infty. \quad (1.9)$$

If  $\gamma > -(n-1)(p-1)$ , then  $\frac{\gamma q}{p} + (n-1) > 0$ , so that we obtain by Holder's inequality

$$\begin{aligned} |h_2(x)| &\leq \left( \int_{F_2} \frac{|G(x, y)|^p}{|y|^\gamma} d\mu(y) \right)^{1/p} \left( \int_{F_2} |y|^{\frac{\gamma q}{p}} d\mu(y) \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq \left( \int_{F_2} \frac{|G(x, y)|^p}{y_n^p} (2^\gamma + 1) dn(y) \right)^{1/p} \left( \int_{F_2} |y|^{\frac{\gamma q}{p}} d\mu(y) \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq A|x|^{\frac{\gamma}{p} + \frac{n-1}{q}} \left( \int_{F_2} \frac{|G(x, y)|^p}{y_n^p} dn(y) \right)^{1/p}, \end{aligned}$$

since

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{F_2} \frac{|G(x, y)|^p}{y_n^p} dn(y) &\leq \int_{|y-x| \leq 3|x|} \frac{|G(x, y)|^p}{y_n^p} dn^{(\varepsilon)}(y) \\ &= \int_{|y-x| \leq \frac{x_n}{2}} \frac{|G(x, y)|^p}{y_n^p} dn^{(\varepsilon)}(y) + \int_{\frac{x_n}{2} < |y-x| \leq 3|x|} \frac{|G(x, y)|^p}{y_n^p} dn^{(\varepsilon)}(y) \\ &= h_{21}(x) + h_{22}(x), \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} h_{21}(x) &\leq \int_{|y-x| \leq \frac{x_n}{2}} \left( \frac{2}{(n-2)\omega_n x_n |x-y|^{(n-2)}} \right)^p dn^{(\varepsilon)}(y) \\ &= \left( \frac{2}{(n-2)\omega_n x_n} \right)^p \int_0^{\frac{x_n}{2}} \frac{1}{t^{p(n-2)}} dn_x^{(\varepsilon)}(t) \\ &\leq \left( \frac{2}{(n-2)\omega_n} \right)^p \frac{np-\alpha}{(2p-\alpha)2^{2p-\alpha}} \varepsilon^p \frac{x_n^{p-\alpha}}{|x|^{np-\alpha}}. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, we have by (2.11)

$$\begin{aligned} h_{22}(x) &\leq \int_{\frac{x_n}{2} < |y-x| \leq 3|x|} \left( \frac{2x_n}{(n-2)\omega_n |x-y|^n} \right)^p dn^{(\varepsilon)}(y) \\ &= \left( \frac{2x_n}{\omega_n} \right)^p \int_{\frac{x_n}{2}}^{3|x|} \frac{1}{t^{pn}} dn_x^{(\varepsilon)}(t) \\ &\leq \left( \frac{2}{\omega_n} \right)^p \left( \frac{1}{3^\alpha} + \frac{np2^\alpha}{\alpha} \right) \varepsilon^p \frac{x_n^{p-\alpha}}{|x|^{np-\alpha}}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $n_x^{(\varepsilon)}(t) = \int_{|y-x| \leq t} dn^{(\varepsilon)}(y)$ .

Hence we have

$$h_2(x) = o(x_n^{1-\frac{\alpha}{p}} |x|^{\frac{\gamma}{p} + \frac{n-1}{q} - n + \frac{\alpha}{p}}) \quad \text{as } |x| \rightarrow \infty.$$

If  $\gamma < (n - 1) + p$ , then  $(\frac{\gamma}{p} - n)q + (n - 1) < 0$ , so that we obtain by Lemma 2 (2), (2.11) and Holder's inequality

$$\begin{aligned} |h_3(x)| &\leq \int_{F_3} \frac{2x_n y_n}{\omega_n |x - y|^n} d\mu(y) \\ &\leq \int_{F_3} \frac{2x_n y_n}{\omega_n} \frac{2^n}{|y|^n} d\mu(y) \\ &\leq \frac{2^{n+1}}{\omega_n} x_n \left( \int_{F_3} \frac{y_n^p}{|y|^\gamma} d\mu(y) \right)^{1/p} \left( \int_{F_3} |y|^{(\frac{\gamma}{p} - n)q} d\mu(y) \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq A x_n |x|^{\frac{\gamma}{p} + \frac{n-1}{q} - n} \left( \int_{F_3} \frac{y_n^p}{|y|^\gamma} d\mu(y) \right)^{1/p}, \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$h_3(x) = o(x_n |x|^{\frac{\gamma}{p} + \frac{n-1}{q} - n}) \quad \text{as } |x| \rightarrow \infty. \quad (1.9)$$

Finally, by Lemma 2 (1) and (2.11), we obtain

$$|h_4(x)| \leq \int_{F_4} \frac{2x_n y_n}{\omega_n |x - y|^n} d\mu(y) \leq \frac{2^{n+1}}{\omega_n} \frac{x_n}{|x|^n} \int_{F_4} y_n d\mu(y),$$

so that we have by  $\gamma > -(n - 1)(p - 1)$

$$h_4(x) = o(x_n |x|^{\frac{\gamma}{p} + \frac{n-1}{q} - n}) \quad \text{as } |x| \rightarrow \infty. \quad (1.9)$$

Thus, by collecting (2.12), (2.13), (2.15), (2.16), (2.17), (2.18), (2.19) and (2.20), there exists a positive constant  $A$  independent of  $\varepsilon$ , such that if  $|x| \geq 2R_\varepsilon$  and  $x \notin E_2(\varepsilon)$ , we have

$$|h(x)| \leq A\varepsilon x_n^{1-\frac{\alpha}{p}} |x|^{\frac{\gamma}{p} + \frac{n-1}{q} - n + \frac{\alpha}{p}}.$$

Similarly, if  $x \notin G$ , we have

$$h(x) = o(x_n^{1-\frac{\alpha}{p}} |x|^{\frac{\gamma}{p} + \frac{n-1}{q} - n + \frac{\alpha}{p}}) \quad \text{as } |x| \rightarrow \infty. \quad (2.21)$$

by (1.11) and (2.21), we obtain

$$u(x) = v(x) + h(x) = o(x_n^{1-\frac{\alpha}{p}} |x|^{\frac{\gamma}{p} + \frac{n-1}{q} - n + \frac{\alpha}{p}}) \quad \text{as } |x| \rightarrow \infty$$

hold in  $H - G$ , thus we complete the proof of Theorem 2.

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